

## Local and News Items.

FRIDAY MORNING, DEC. 24.

### Meeting of the Township Board.

The Township Board of the township of Lafayette will meet at the Office of the Township Clerk, in said township, on Monday the 27th day of December 1888, at 9 o'clock in the forenoon, for the purpose of auditing the accounts of said township.

T. H. HARRISON,  
Deputy Township Clerk.

There will be a meeting of the business board of the Van Buren Co. Ag. Soc. on Thursday, the 28th day of Dec. 1888, at Paw Paw, for the transaction of such business as may properly come before it.

O. H. P. SHIFFER,  
Secretary.

To-morrow will be Christmas. That holy day so anxiously waited for by the youth, whose dreams, for the past month, have been interspersed with visions of presents in the shape of toys, confections, &c., and in almost every instance have their expectations been realized. Let us enter a chamber, for a moment, where Morpheus is holding sway over a pair of innocents whose intimacy with this god is courted with so much pleasure. What is that mysterious appendage to the bed-post?—Can it be the crib of one of the innocents, in the embrace of the above god, unconscious of the exposure of that member, when it should be as closely muffled in the warm blankets as the rest of the body? No! It is the object, the thought of which, occupied the minds of the children before counting sleep, and it is now filled with those dainties, which are the most palatable to whom they are intended.

We have endeavored to portray our own experience some dozen years ago. But now the contrast. We know the holidays are approaching, but the heart ceases to palpitate with joy, as in days of yore.—And if some friend should attempt a "joke" upon us, by entering our chamber and seizing our apology for a stocking; with kind and generous feeling fill that article with what he thought pleasing to our taste, and without our perceiving the act, we should be ignorant of the intent, for we have no stocking that is minus of a second aperture, and would therefore find the contents in a miscellaneous manner on the floor. The above is our experience, and such is our adversity. Will not some kind friend of the Printer, compassionate with our feelings, and make our hearts glad, by inviting us to a Christmas dinner.

### Lines for the Holidays.

Written by a little girl, ten years old, of the Intermediate Department of the Union School.

All hail Merry Christmas and Happy New Year, When Santa Claus comes, to give us good cheer, And fill all our stockings with nuts and with candy.

But nothing to stimulate, not even pale brandy; For they say this is a temperance old— And never think of taking a wee drop himself; This is the reason he is so fat and so rosy, And lives in a house so neat and so cozy, Long may he live to kiss the dear children For the pocket they hold full many a million.

### LIVES SAVED

BY THE USE OF

St. John's Cough and Consumption

SYRUP.

Two bottles of Syrup cured Mrs. K. D. Fife, Jackson, Miss. of a cough and pain in her side of three years standing.

One bottle cured the wife of C. Zimmerman, Farmer, Commissioner of Devoe county, Ohio, of a cough and pain in her side and breast of three years standing.

One bottle cured Mrs. John Barker, Warren, Pa., of a cough, with severe pain in her side and breast of two years standing.

Four bottles cured Mrs. G. W. Zeigler, Fort Scott, Mo., of a cough, with severe pain in her side and breast of four years standing. She had been under the care of four physicians, all of whom pronounced her case incurable.

Two bottles cured Mrs. Small, of Port Ball, Ohio, of a cough, with severe pain in her side and breast of three years standing.

Five bottles cured Mrs. Mary Miller, Jackson, Miss., of a cough and pain in her side of three years standing. She was as apparently upon the verge of the grave. Her physicians and friends expected she would soon die.

Three bottles cured Mrs. Elizabeth Campbell, an old lady seventy years of age, Jackson, Miss., of a cough, with severe pain in her side and breast of three years standing.

Three bottles cured C. L. Walker, of a cough and general debility of several months' standing. This was feared would terminate in consumption.

The bottle cured J. K. Watson, Member of Congress, from Ohio. He wrote from Washington City to his family in Ohio: "Send me by express one bottle of St. John's Cough and Consumption Syrup, which is so very refreshing and useful. I have tried it, and I obtained the day I felt better, and I am now cured, and also cured a child."

Four large bottles cured Mr. J. Shaffer, near Greencastle, Pa., of a disease of three years standing, which prevented him from doing his work. One physician ordered him to get up and another to stay in bed. He was without anything but relief.

"St. John's Cough and Consumption Syrup," says the Randolph Democrat, "is an excellent remedy for coughs and colds. In fact, we do not know its equal. Numerous cases have come under our observation, in which the patient, apparently sinking under consumption, has been restored to health by its use. We have used it with great success in many cases."

Six bottles cured Dr. Hodder, a respectable old school physician, of Oregon, Ohio. He was some months confined to his bed, with a disease of the lungs. His physicians visited him, and agreed in the belief that he could not recover.

Connecticut—Mr. Edward H. Kayser, New Haven, Connecticut, wrote Dec. 18, 1887: "Having traveled through a great portion of the Western country, I became acquainted with your popular Cough and Consumption Syrup, which is so very refreshing and useful in the Western world. I wish to know if you have an agency in New York City. If you have, please inform me by return mail, who is your agent, and where I can obtain a supply for myself and friends, who are suffering with coughs and colds. I have no objection to your sending me the money to you for a case. Please inform me what will be the expense of three dozen small bottles, delivered in New York City. My business is all on the New York and New Haven Railroad. I think your Syrup the greatest article in the world for coughs and colds. My wife says she knows it saved her life in Michigan, and she does not want to live without it in the house."

Iowa—Mr. E. W. Drake, a well-known wealthy citizen of Newton, Iowa, said to the proprietor of St. John's Cough and Consumption Syrup: "I wish you would send me an agent in my place for the winter season. I consider it greatly superior to any preparation in the world for a similar purpose. It has saved my life and restored me to sound and robust health. When I was as far gone with consumption as to be considered beyond the reach of medicine, I got from your Syrup an answer in a place. I will carry back with me a supply for my personal use and for my friends. You must not send less than a gross of the large bottle. I could sell that quantity in my place."

Illinois—Messrs. Williams & Adams, of Hannibal, Ill., write, April 1, 1887: "Send us a supply of your Cough and Consumption Syrup. We are very often troubled by those who have used it as the very best cough medicine now in use."

Mr. John Leland, Eden Township, Seneca Co., O., was cured of a cough of ten years' standing by the use of St. John's Cough and Consumption Syrup.

New York—I was troubled with a very severe cough and cold, and was so hoarse as to be unable to speak above my breath. I made use of several small bottles of St. John's Cough and Consumption Syrup, and was soon relieved. In consequence of the speedy relief afforded in my own case, and the general high character of the medicine, I take pleasure in recommending it as an article of great value."

25 Pearl Street, N. Y.

Sold by all Medicine Dealers, who will furnish St. John's Almanac gratis. E. L. St. John & Co., N. Y. City, General Agents for the Western States.

For sale by S. C. GRIMES & Co., Kalamazoo & Bingham, Paw Paw.

J. L. CRANE, G. F. SMITH & Bingham, Jackson.

## Sellick & Foote's Column.

### MORE CHEAP GOODS

AT THE  
LONG BRICK STORE.

RECEIVED THIS DAY,  
7000 yards Best Shilling Prints

WHICH WILL BE SOLD  
FOR ONLY 10 cts. per YARD.

The proprietors of this celebrated and densely thronged establishment have, in view of the increased stringency of the money market, determined to make a

### Still Further Reduction

In prices of Dry Goods, and will on and after this date make the prices low enough to be within the reach of every buyer. 36 doz. Men's, Boys and Children's Hats and Caps

### NOW OPENING

at prices from 15 cents to \$6. Ladies' and Gents' Shawls—an almost endless variety—just come to hand, and Low Prices must effect the sale of them. 100 doz. Ladies, Gents and Children's Buckskin Gloves and Mittens. Kid Gloves in all the varied styles. Fur Gloves—a superior article. Cashmere Gloves for Ladies and Misses wear. Brown Sheet-ting, cheaper than ever at

## SELICK & FOOTE'S

Ladies Winter Dress Goods, all kinds reduced 25 per cent. from regular prices, giving purchasers the advantage of the market in the height of the season.

### STOP! STOP! STOP!

### STOP WHAT?

Stop reading this paper, and proceed directly to Sellick & Foote's, and secure a pair of those nice Galleski Shoes for only One Dollar, as they are disappearing with marvelous rapidity. Forty doz. Ladies and Gents' Rubber and Fur Over-Shoes now on hand—some as low as 50 cents. Don't fail to see our

### Ready-Made Clothing,

Cotton and Wool Yarn, School Plates and Stationery, if you wish to buy at Paw Paw prices.

### GROCERIES & DRY GOODS,

Every week directly from eastern markets constantly arriving. The above are but a limited enumeration of the varied styles and varieties of Goods to be found in our store at reduced prices.—Go visit the Long Brick Store and avail yourself of some of the Rich Goods now being daily dispersed. Our motto, as practically carried on in business, will be

### LOW PRICES. INDUSTRY & INTEGRITY.

We are particularly well supplied with every kind of goods adapted to the

### JOBGING TRADE

And will offer inducements to buyers not rivalled in the West.

SELICK & FOOTE,  
(Successors to E. SMITH & Co.)  
Paw Paw, November 23th, 1888.

Just printed and for sale at this office, an assortment of Blanks of all descriptions.

## S. Holmes & Co's Column

### AUCTION! AUCTION!

Just Received, and Coming Weekly!

### GREAT CLOSING OUT SALE FOR CASH

By S. HOLMES & CO.

\$10,000  
WORTH OF

### DRY GOODS,

Ready-Made clothing,

### BOOTS & SHOES,

(SHOP MADE AND WARRANTED.)

### HATS & CAPS,

CARPETING,  
WALL-PAPER,  
HARD-WARE,  
STONE-WARE,  
&c., &c., &c.

### GREAT BARGAINS FOR CASH,

By S. HOLMES & CO.

### CARPET BAGS,

### FALL AND WINTER SHAWLS,

### PARAMETAS MERINOS,

### LIGHT AND PLAID DRESS SILKS

At less than Cost for Cash,

By S. HOLMES & CO.

### BEST PRINTS IN TOWN

And a Good Variety of

### DELAINEES,

### MOHAIRS,

### TARTAN PLAID,

### SHADED CASHMERES,

### CHEMISE POPLIN,

### GINGHAMS,

### &c., &c.,

### Cheap for Cash,

By S. HOLMES & Co.

### Sheeting, Ticking, Batting, Wicking,

### Cotton Yarn, Stripes, Checks, Doinies,

### Cloths, Cassimeres, Satinetts, Sheeps'

### Grey, Cotton and Wool Flannel,

### Colored and White Cambric,

### Hosiery, Shirts & Collars,

### Lace Goods and Black Silk,

### CHEAP FOR CASH,

By S. HOLMES & Co.

### WOODEN PAIRS,

### SASH,

### LAMP AND LINSEED

### OIL,

### BARREL & BAG SALT,

### PAINTS, VINEGAR,

### ELUID, COD FISH,

### WHITE FISH, HALF BARRELS,

### Cheapest in Town for Cash,

By S. HOLMES & Co.

### SUGAR, SYRUP,

### MOLASSES,

### COFFEE, CRACKERS,

### Cavendish and Cut Tobacco and

### BEST FOUR SHI LING TEA IN TOWN,

### FOR CASH,

By S. HOLMES & Co.

### S. HOLMES & CO'S

### TAILORING

Is constantly on hand to Cut and Make Garments in the latest City Styles

### AND WARRANTED TO PLEASE.

Our Clothing is nearly all our own make and

WARRANTED.

Stop-Shop Clothing sold at Cost for Cash, by  
S. HOLMES & CO.  
November, 17th, 1888.

## J. Sherman & Co's Column.

### \$30,000

WORTH OF

### FALL & WINTER GOODS

New Opening at the Old Stand of

A. SHERMAN & CO.

The old system abolished. No more "trust" after the 1st day of October, 1888, but

### Cash or Ready Pay.

We will sell Goods from

### FIFTEEN TO TWENTY PER CENT.

Lower than now are, or ever have been sold in Van Buren County. Now is the time to make your purchases. We are enabled to offer the most splendid, desirable and seasonable assortment of

### DRY GOODS,

Ready Made Clothing,

### HATS & CAPS,

### BOOTS AND SHOES,

### YANKEE NOTIONS,

### AND GROCERIES,

That have ever been offered in Western Michigan.

### SHAWLS,

### SILKS,

### SATINS,

### RIBBONS,

### GLOVES,

### COLLARS,

### HOSIERY,

### DELAINEES,

### PARAMETAS,

### MERINOS,

### COBURGS,

and every other style of Ladies Goods, which are fashionable, durable, and cheap, will be found in Sherman & Co's New and Mammoth

### STOCK OF MERCHANDISE.

Our Goods are just bought in New York, Hartford, and other cities of the East, under the present financial pressure, and will be sold at prices unsurpassed by any establishment in the State. We are "in earnest" and mean what we say, when we reiterate that we shall sell goods at from 15 to 20 per cent. lower than have ever before been purchased in Paw Paw. We do not talk for effect, or attempt to "gas," or use "soft solder," but to present an uncolored statement of facts, as you will be convinced by calling at our counter and pricing for yourselves. We are connected with our Store at

### Tailoring Establishment,

Under the superintendence of one of the best workmen in the country. Our

### SHOE SHOP

Is still in operation, and turning out the best work for village or country wear. All kinds of Merchantable Produce taken in exchange.

### Cash Paid for Wheat.

A. SHERMAN & CO.  
Paw Paw, September 27th, '88.

## BLOOD PURIFIER AND BLOOD PILLS.

DISEASE VANQUISHED.

—BY—

Dr. Robert's Blood Purifier and Pills.

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